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1. The Buero Kraftstoff und Industrie Entwurf (KI) was formerly affiliated with the Projektierungs-Konstruktions und Montage-Buero (PKM) in Leipzig. Since 1 January 1953, however, it has been considered independent and has the designation PKM Hauptabteilung Berlin. PKM Berlin works only on projects for Hungary. Technical drawings have been submitted by factories which deliver machines and equipment for Hungary; VEB Gaselan and Bergmann-Borsig are among them.
2. Bergmann-Borsig is delivering the tank installations for the power-producing part of a hydrogenation plant but not the turbines. A group of engineers and workers from Bergmann-Borsig have been in Hungary since October 1952 doing preliminary work for establishing the tank installations. The hydrogenation plant is being erected in a little frequented area in the vicinity of a small village called Berenthe,² about 70 kilometers from Budapest.
3. In Gaselan VEB, there is a department for the construction of hydrogenation installations. This department has been placed under PKM Berlin. The projects of this department have come to a standstill because of a lack of materials, especially plate. Of the total budget of 36,000,000 DEM for Gaselan, 3,000,000 DEM have been provided for the PKM department.
4. SAG Transmach Bleichert in Leipzig is building transport and hauling equipment for Hungary. Bleichert also, however, is suffering a shortage of machine tools. From time to time special purchasing agents are provided with West Marks and sent to West Berlin to attempt to purchase machine tools and then to smuggle them across the sector border. If the purchasers succeed in fulfilling their commissions to the satisfaction of the plant management, they receive bonuses of up to 1,000 DEM.

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Borsig, Berlin.

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